

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 9 OF 2014

**WHEREAS**, May 8, 2014, marks the centennial of the signing of the Smith-Lever Act (Act of May 8, 1914) which established Cooperative Extension, the nationwide transformational education system operating through land-grant universities in partnership with federal, state and local governments; and

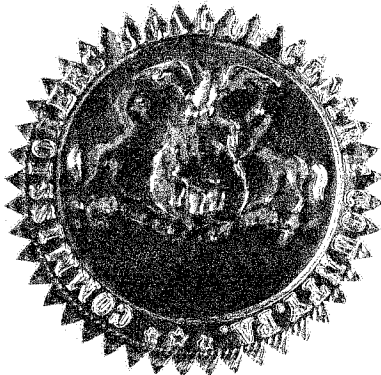
**WHEREAS**, U.S. Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia and U.S. Representative A.F. Lever of South Carolina authored the Smith-Lever Act to expand the "vocational, agricultural and home demonstration programs in rural America" by bringing the research-based knowledge of the land-grant universities to people where they live and work; and

**WHEREAS**, Cooperative Extension is a critical component of the three-part land-grant university mission and works collaboratively with research, primarily the Agricultural Experiment Station System, and academic programs in 106 colleges and universities, including historically black, Native American and Hispanic-serving institutions; in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and six U.S. territories to reach traditional and underserved audiences in all communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Cooperative Extensions' research-based education for farmers and ranchers helped establish the United States as a leading agricultural-producing nation in the world;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the "100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Cooperative Extension" of The Pennsylvania State University and honors the university faculty, local educators, and volunteers who dedicate themselves to providing trusted education to help people, families, youth, businesses and communities solve problems, develop skills, and build a better future.

**ADOPTED** this 6th day of May, 2014.



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